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SUBJECT: "ALPHA 66", AN ANTI-CASTRO ORGANIZATION

1. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CONCERNING THE PLANS AND ACTIVITIES
OF THE "ALPHA 66" ORGANIZATION, AN ANTI-CASTRO OPERATION IN SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO

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3.

ALL "ALPHA 66" PLANS AND ACTIONS ARE BEING

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DIRECTED FROM MIAMI.

IN LATE JULY 1962, "ALPHA 66" ELEMENTS IN SAN JUAN RECEIVED A SEALED ENVELOPE FROM VECIANA IN MIAMI, PURPORTEDLY CONTAINING DETAILS OF THE FIRST ACTION OF "ALPHA 66". THE ENVELOPE WAS TO BE OPENED AT A PUBLIC RALLY AFTER THE ACTION WAS COMPLETED AND WAS CEREMONIOUSLY PLACED IN A SAFE DEPOSIT BOX.

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THE SAN JUAN MEMBERS OF "ALPHA 66" BECAME GREATLY DISCOURAGED BECAUSE OF LACK OF ACTION AND THEY PRESSURED "ALPHA 66" LEADERS FOR AN EXPLANATION. THEY WERE TOLD BY ANTONIO VECIANA FROM MIAMI THAT AN OPERATIONAL GROUP HAD ACTUALLY DEPARTED FOR AN ACTION RAID AGAINST CUBA BUT WAS FORCED TO RETURN DUE TO "IMPERFECTION IN EQUIPMENT". SAN JUAN MEMBERS OF

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"ALPHA 66" THEN PLANNED TO SEND A COMMISSION TO MIAMI TO GET A MORE COMPREHENSIVE REPORT

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4. AN "ALPHA 66" MEETING WAS CONDUCTED IN SAN JUAN BY GERONIMO ESTEVEZ ON NIGHT OF 30 AUGUST 1962 AND WAS ATTENDED BY ABOUT 200 CUBAN EXILES. THESE MEETINGS ARE HELD WEEKLY, AND IT WAS ANNOUNCED THAT PLANS WILL BE REVEALED AT NEXT MEETING FOR RECRUITING YOUNG CUBANS IN VENEZUELA, PUERTO RIC AND MIAMI. WANTED ARE MEN WHO NEED MINIMUM MILITARY TRAINING TO FO RAIDER GROUPS FOR FUTURE ACTIONS. TWO REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE DIRECTORIO REVOLUCIONARIO ESTUDIANTIL (DRE) WERE PRESENT, AND THEY ANNOUNCED THE DRE WAS PLANNING ADDITIONAL RAIDS ON CUBA.

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5. [] HAS BEEN THE SUBJECT OF
PREVIOUS CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN THIS AGENCY AND THE BUREAU.

6. PRELIMINARY TRACES REVEAL NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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7. ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING THE "ALPHA 66"
ORGANIZATION RECEIVED BY THIS AGENCY WILL BE PROMPTLY FORWARDED TO
ADDRESSEES. THIS AGENCY WILL APPRECIATE RECEIPT OF ANY
INFORMATION ADDRESSEES MAY DEVELOP ON THE ABOVE SUBJECT.

8. THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS BEING MADE AVAILABLE TO THE
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